

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

26 Feb. 54

MINUTES

Second Meeting, 26 February 1954

1. The following persons were in attendance:



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2. The minutes of the first meeting were approved without modification.

3. Consideration was given to the draft Charter previously circulated under date of 23 February 1954.

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- a. [REDACTED] suggested that in view of the fact that the Committee, as such, would probably not be requested to prepare reports on the status of progress under NSC-169, the wording of paragraph 4f be changed to: "coordinate the preparation of such reports." Change approved.
- b. After discussion, it was generally agreed that the Committee should meet regularly once a month in order to insure continuity, but that allowance should be made for calling special meetings by the Chairman whenever urgent business required it. Accordingly, paragraph 5a was modified to reflect this change. It was decided to schedule meetings at 11:00 a.m. on the last Monday of each month.
- c. There was discussion as to whether the Committee had any powers to direct or whether it was limited to an Advisory Committee. It was agreed that the intent was that the functions of the Committee be advisory and that the present title of the Committee and the wording of the proposed functions are consistent with this concept.
- d. There was discussion about the breadth of interest of the Committee as reflected in paragraph 4c and in the Committee title. It was generally agreed that there was a need for the services of the Committee for coordinating

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intelligence activities on telecommunications matters outside the field of NSC-169. However, in view of the stated authority for the establishment of the Committee, it was considered advisable to reword section 4c as follows:

"Recommend priorities as necessary for collection and production of intelligence required under NSC-169"

Reliance would be placed on sections 4d and 4e for Committee interests outside NSC-169.

e. With the foregoing changes, the draft Charter was approved. (A copy of the Charter, as amended, is attached).

25X1A 4. There was discussion of the project "Broadcast Reception
25X1A Potential of the USSR" which ORR has undertaken at the request of
25X1A [redacted] DDP. [redacted] pointed out that they had agreed that it could
be done by 1 August, which means then that the initial draft must be
ready by 1 June. He will have a requirement for information and
assistance from [redacted] and OSI for parts of the paper. [redacted] indicated
there would be no problem providing information on facilities within
the time allowed. OSI indicated that they would meet the deadline
indicated, but would discuss further with O/RR the amount of support
required.

25X1C 5. There was discussion of the status of existing intra-Agency
groups in the field of telecommunications with respect to this Committee.
It was agreed that this Committee should take on the functions of the
group currently under the guidance of O/C [redacted]

25X1A This was acceptable to [redacted] representing
O/C. It was agreed that the Radio Frequency Usage File Advisory
Group should properly be a subcommittee or working group of this
Committee. This was acceptable to [redacted] representing O/CD.

25X1A 6. [redacted] appointed [redacted] to act as secretary.

25X1A 7. The Committee adjourned with the understanding that the
next regular meeting would be on 29 March 1954 (in Room 1514 "M"
Building).

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Secretary

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